

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1177
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.07.2025.

DIGITIZATION OF CULTURAL HERITAGE UNDER NMMA

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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the number of monuments, heritage sites and antiquities digitized so far under the National Mission on Monuments and Antiquities(NMMA) particularly in Telangana, Jalore, Sirohi districts of Rajasthan and in Jalgaon Lok Sabha Constituency and the Khandesh region of Maharashtra;
- (b) the mechanisms adopted to ensure standardization and accuracy in documentation process across the various States and institutions;
- (c) the details of the steps taken by the Government to integrate the use of technology such as 3D Mapping, AR/VR, GIS etc. in the restoration and presentation of India's culture heritage;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to integrate the said digital heritage database with schools and higher education curriculum to promote awareness among the youth, if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the status of digitization of the major monuments and heritage sites of Chhattisgarh;
- (f) the details of the initiative taken by the Government to teach about or propagate the said digital heritage across the schools and colleges of the state;
- (g) whether the Government proposes to declare the Jalore Fort as a National Monument, if so, the details thereof; and
- (h) the details of the current status of monuments and heritage sites in Palghar district in Maharashtra and the action taken by the Government to prevent the monuments in this area?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE AND TOURISM (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

- (a) The total number of monuments and antiquities documented by the National Mission on Monuments and Antiquities (NMMA) as on today stands as follows: Antiquities on Telangana-2598, Rajasthan-42606, Maharashtra-164973 and Built heritage & Sites on Telangana-629, Rajasthan-2160, Maharashtra-32 (Annexure-I). As on date state-wise data is available on the website. The above data is uploaded on the NMMA website: <http://nmma.nic.in>.
- (b) NMMA has been documenting the heritage buildings, sites and antiquities since 2007, with the aim and objective of creating a database for the same. To ensure standardization and accuracy a standard format for documentation of heritage building sites and antiquities.
- (c) Archaeological Survey of India is using technology like AR / VR, 3D mapping, GIS etc. in the restoration, conservation, excavation and exploration.
- (d) NMMA is conducting workshops in various regions to raise awareness and provide training programs to universities, colleges, NGOs, and other interested organizations, in coordination with Circle Offices. Efforts are also being made to revive the State-Level Implementation Committee (SLIC) in each state to speed up the documentation work. The data is available in the NMMA website: <http://nmma.nic.in>.
- (e) In total 60 Built Heritage and Sites documented and published in respect of Chhattisgarh.
- (f) NMMA is conducting workshops in various regions to raise awareness and provide training programs to universities, colleges, NGOs, and other interested organizations, in coordination with Circle Offices. Efforts are also being made to revive the State-Level Implementation Committee (SLIC) in each state to speed up the documentation work. ASI view to be added for awareness programme.
- (g) At present, there is no such proposal with Archaeological Survey of India (ASI).
- (h) There are 08 protected monuments and areas as of national importance in district Palghar, Maharashtra. The details are given at Annexure-II. Regular Conservation works are undertaken in these monuments.

State wise Antiquities published on NMMA website as on 23rd July 2025

S. No.	State	Total Data
1	Andhara Pradesh	6229
2	Assam	1880
3	Bihar	6264
4	Chandigarh	778
5	Chhatisgarh	312
6	Delhi	425059
7	Goa	701
8	Gujarat	46229
9	Haryana	298547
10	Himachal Pradesh	3974
11	Jammu and Kashmir	93430
12	Jharkhand	361
13	Karanataka	904
14	Kerala	906
15	Madhya Pradesh	4889
16	Maharashtra	164973
17	Mizoram	684
18	Orissa	8113
19	Punjab	84862
20	Rajasthan	42606
21	Tamil Nadu	3931
22	Telangana	2598
23	Union Territory of Ladakh	7
24	Utatrakhand	416
25	Uttar Pradesh	37527
26	West Bengal	5168
	Total	1241348

State wise Built Heritage & Sites data published on NMMA website as on 23rd July 2025

S. No.	State Name	Total Data
1	Andhra Pradesh	1788
2	Bihar	20
3	Chhattisgarh	60
4	Delhi	872
5	Gujarat	46
6	Haryana	1
7	Himachal Pradesh	280
8	Jammu & Kashmir	292
9	Karnataka	312
10	Kerala	174
11	Madhya Pradesh	749
12	Maharashtra	32
13	Odisha	2015
14	Punjab	687
15	Rajasthan	2160
16	Tamil Nadu	922
17	Telangana	629
18	Tripura	4
19	Uttar Pradesh	228
20	West Bengal	135
	Total	11406

Protected Monuments and areas as of National importance in district Palghar, Maharashtra

S. No.	Name of Monuments/Site	Locality	District
1	Fort	Arnala	Palghar
2	Fort and old Portuguese Remains		Palghar
3	A Tank by the west side of the road from Umralla village to Bolinj	Bolinj	Palghar
4	A Mound locally known as "Sonar Bhat" in Hissa Ni-11 of the Survey No.52 having an area of 25 ¼ gunthas	Gas	Palghar
5	Caves on Barad Hill	Khunavada	Palghar
6	A Mound locally known as Barudkot in Hissa No-2 of Survey No.75 having an area of 2 acres and 28 ¼ gunthas	Mardes(Nalasopara)	Palghar
7	Brahmanical Caves	PoluSonala	Palghar
8	Carved Stones	Vada	Palghar